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REPORT OF THE DRAFTING GROUP TO THE PLENARY

United Nations technical cooperation activities

The Governing Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 46/232 of 3 March 1991, 47/199 of 22 December 1992 and 47/212 B of 6 May 1993,

Also recalling its decisions 90/37 of 22 June 1990, 91/38 of 25 June 1991 and 92/34 of 26 May 1992,

1. Takes note of the report of the Secretary-General on United Nations technical cooperation activities (DP/1993/39 and Add.1-3);

2. Stresses the need to improve further the technical focus of the Department for Development Support and Management Services, especially through the United Nations regular programme of technical cooperation;

3. Takes note of the Thirteenth Biennial Meeting of National Recruitment Services held at Cairo in March-April 1993 and organized by the Department for Development Support and Management Services, in close cooperation with the Government of the Arab Republic of Egypt, and of the Cairo Plan of Action embodying the recommendations of that meeting;

4. Encourages the Department for Development Support and Management Services to help to strengthen national capacities for programme management and project execution and implementation, in responding to the needs of developing countries;

5. Requests the Department for Development Support and Management Services to pay particular attention to improving its preparation and appraisal of projects and its capacity-building techniques within its area of competence;

6. Requests the Department for Development Support and Management Services to ensure that its technical cooperation activities are undertaken with full attention to General Assembly resolution 47/199 of 22 December 1992 and in particular to the respective functions and responsibilities of recipient governments and the resident coordinators;

7. Stresses the importance of the clarification of an effective and efficient division of labour between the Department for Development Support and Management Services and other United Nations organs dealing with technical cooperation, especially the United Nations Development Programme, with particular attention to coordination issues, taking full account of the relevant provisions of its decision 92/34 and General Assembly resolution 47/212 B and requests the Administrator to include information on progress made in his report to the Governing Council at its forty-first session (1994);

8. Invites the Secretary-General to provide a more analytical review of the technical cooperation activities of the Department for Development Support and Management Services to the Governing Council at its forty-first session (1994).